THE WEEKLY



Monday, January 22, 2024

A Few Thoughts from our Principal ...

No big insight from me this week. Just a few short things!

- I heard more from Mrs. Wen. This is her message to me: "Levi was eager to arrive, being born just hours after mom arrived at the hospital!
 Both mom and baby are doing well and adjusting to their new norms.
 Thank you for your thoughts and prayers."
- Levi Christopher Wen H. 2024 @ 529am 7lbr 202. 50cm
- 2. We have an open house next Wednesday, January 31 at 7:00pm!

 Please let your friends and family about it. Our greatest form of recruitment is through word of mouth. Also, if you tell another family about us, they enroll, and stay for a year, you will receive 5 volunteer hours for the following year. I already have had some families enroll and class sizes are limited in some grades, so please spread the word. Please ask them to RSVP to me or the office.
- 3. Prayer requests: Our community is an amazing praying community. We even have a prayer group that meets once a week on Zoom (see second page). Please remember the following members of our community.
 - a) Ms. Lim- she is done her chemo and radiation now. She is recovering and waiting for a surgery date to remove the abdominal tumor. Her surgery will take place between 6 -10 weeks after her last radiation, which puts it anywhere between mid-February and mid-March. Please pray for healing, as well as patience as this is a time of limbo with too much time to think.
 - b) Ms. Gwen deWilde- she is our bookkeeper. She had surgery in December to remove a large cancerous mass on her ovary. She started chemo today with one treatment every 3 weeks for 6 rounds. Please pray that her body will withstand the treatment and that any microscopic cancerous cells will be eradicated.
 - c) The teachers- are busy working on report cards. Please pray for energy for them as the report cards take many hours and teachers are still planning and running their classes as usual. Reports go home on Friday, Feb. 2. Note that the information for the Parent/Teacher conferences that follow these reports will be coming out from the office soon (scheduled for Tues., Feb. 13).

This calendar lists upcoming HIGHLIGHTS only. Refer to 2023/24 School Calendar for ALL events.

DATE	TIME	EVENT	TAKE NOTE
Tue/Jan/23	LUNCH	SUBWAY LUNCH	For those that have ordered
Wed/Jan/24	LUNCH	PASTA DAY	For those that have ordered
Fri/Jan/26	LUNCH	PIZZA DAY	For those that have ordered
Mon/Jan/29	_	PAJAMA & BED HEAD DAY	Dress Down Day
Tue/Jan/30		GIRLS & BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT	Off-Site
Wed/Jan/31	7:00 pm	WCS OPEN HOUSE	Come check us out!

PRAYER @ WCS

Join our Weekly Parents Prayer Meeting (via Zoom) every Tuesdays @8:00pm!
Contact Person ~ Suan Fong (WCS Parent) wcsprayerbox@yahoo.com.

If you have items to include in our PRAYER section, please send an email to:

office@willowdalechristianschool.org

- Wednesday Worship ~ Pray for Mr. Baldesarra as he continues to lead on "Letting God Control Me".
- Staff of the Week ~ Mr. Eyre (Grade 6/7)
- Families of the Week ~ Lanois (1/JK); Lee (1); Lee (7); Lee (Jacob-8); Lee (Hakjun-8).

THINGS TO NOTE

PAJAMA DAYS: Next **Monday, January 29,** is our last Pajama Day! We have been enjoying our comfy January Mondays.

TALENT SHOW PREPARATION: Friday, February 9 at 2:00pm is the talent show! Parents are welcome to attend and watch their child(ren) present their talents to the school.

CALIPER PROJECT: An email went home last week with the letter reattached and the Teams link for the information meeting tomorrow (Tuesday) at 7:00pm. A reminder email with the link reattached will be sent out tomorrow. Please carefully consider if this project is one that you would like your family to participate in.

CORRECTION to PHONE DIRECTORY:

Please inform the office if there are any changes to the WCS Phone Directory for the updated directory will be sent out to the community for 2024.

INTERNATIONAL POTLUCK: Let's celebrate the cultural diversity of our school! The WCS Board is organizing a potluck for the WCS community on **Wednesday**, **February 7**, **at 6 pm** in the school gym. Each family is invited to bring a dish from their cultural background. Consider dressing in traditional cultural clothing! More information to come. Contact Person: Krystal Plaxton krystal.lee.d@gmail.com





E2F MESSAGE: Thank you very much for your generous donations to the E2F project. Are you interested in contributing to the transformation of WCS' future? Do you have great ideas, experience in building/project management, fundraising, or promotion through social media? Then joining the Equip to Flourish (E2F) committee is a great opportunity for you! Committee members meet once a month and receive Fundraising Volunteer Hours. For more information about E2F and the Committee, please email Oksana at e2f@willowdalechristianschool.org.

GROCERY GIFT CARDS – Year Long Fundraiser

Fundraising is very important to help defray the tuition costs for all WCS families. A practical way for you to support the school in this initiative is to purchase Grocery Gift Cards from the office. The \$100 value Gift Cards can be used at Valu-Mart, Loblaw, No Frills, etc. For each dollar that we sell, we receive 5% back. Annually we hope to raise \$8,000 - \$10,000.